

# Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 4, Week 2

15th October, 2015

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### Term 4 Week 2

#### Thur 15th October

- **NSW PSSA Athletics**
- Grade Sport 5/12, 4/10, 2/6, 1/4
- DanceClub 3.15-4.15pm
- Yr 1 excursion The Powerhouse Museum

### Fri 16th October

- Band 7.45am
- Year 3 Parish Mass
- **Lunch Orders**
- Sport Program All students in Sport uniform
- Paddle Pops at lunchtime. \$1: please ensure your child has their ice block Kindy parent helpers today

\*\*\*\*Please advise the Office if your child cannot have a Paddle pop\*\*\*\*\*

### Sun 18th October

Spring Fair Thank You BBQ after 10am Mass.

### Term 4 Week 3

### Mon 19th October

- Lunch Orders
- Cool Kids Music Club 3-4.30pm

### Tue 20th October

- Uniform Shop 8.30am—11.00am 1.30 pm - 3.30 pm
- Maths Club 8am
- Grade Sport Kindy, Yr 3, 5/11

### Wed 21st October

- Choir 8am
- Grade Sport 1/3, 2/5, 4/9, Yr 6
- Chess 3-4pm
- Kindergarten 2016 Parent Information Night 7pm

### Thur 22nd October

- Grade Sport 5/12, 4/10, 2/6, 1/4
- Reconciliation Yr 4
- DanceClub 3.15-4.15pm

### Fri 23rd October

- Band 7.45am
- **Lunch Orders**
- Sport Program All students in Sport uniform
- Yr 3 & Yr 4 attending Parish Mass
- Ice blocks at lunchtime. \$1: please ensure your child has their ice block money Year 1 parent helpers required.

### Dear Parents.

"What is it Lord you want us to do for you?" This is the question that two of the Apostles James and John put to Jesus evidenced in this Sunday's Gospel. They were now convinced that Jesus was the promised Messiah, the one who would lead the people out of the darkness into the Kingdom of Heaven where they would enjoy eternal life as referenced in last Sunday's Gospel. Their ministry, as the chosen twelve was to reach out to others and bring them into the fold of God's unconditional love. Christ answered their question in revealing to them and the other Apostles, that their role was to serve others as Jesus himself was commissioned to do so on Earth. Over the next week in our dealings and relationships with others let us too be "Servants of Christ" and reach out to those in need.

This week our Year 3 students commence their preparation for First Reconciliation. This most significant sacrament of Healing is a gift from God where-by he shares his unconditional love and forgiveness with us. During these weeks of preparation let us join together as a parish and school community in prayer, praying for these children and their parents. Whilst we are keeping members of our community in our prayers, please pray for those young men and women in our community sitting the Higher School Certificate at the moment. May the last few years of study and commitment bear fruit during this exam period.

The children have returned to school in the last week in their summer uniforms. Thank you to all the mothers in our school who have taken the time to turn out their children looking resplendent in their uniforms. Your efforts are greatly appreciated and instil a sense of pride in our children when they well groomed. Many school jackets and jumpers were returned to students last week following the cleaning out of the lost property bins. Thanks to our year six students who took the time to sort through them.

Thank you to everyone for your patience and understanding during the last few weeks, with the construction work-taking place behind the Administration block in Burradoo Close. The project has taken longer than first anticipated as contractors have discovered additional problems during the construction of new drainage system and retaining walls. Access via the Burradoo gate will not be available until the project is completed in the next few weeks.



Thank you to those parents who have downloaded Skoo bag the skoolbay App onto their critical services week, over the last month. At the beginning of this week, the Skoolbag App onto their smart phones or ipads some 140 members of our school community have downloaded the App on to their devices. Please see

subsequent pages for downloading the App onto a variety of different smart phones and tablets. It is imperative that all parents download this communication App, as it will become our primary means of communicating with families in the future. Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Tony Hughes, Principal

### KINDER 2016 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

A reminder that our Parent information evening for Kinder 2016 will be held NEXT WEDNESDAY evening, 21st October at 7.00pm in the Kindergarten classroom.

On this evening we will:

- \* Discuss how to successfully prepare your child for his/her first year of schooling.
- \* Outline the details of the Kinder Orientation Mornings
- \* Convey organisational and practical aspects for the first exciting day of your child's education at Christ the King.

We look forward to seeing you there.

# Our Sincere Sympathy

Please keep in your prayers Mrs Flunt (yr 4 Teacher) and her family on the passing of her father over the weekend.

He is now at peace with his loving God whom he served so faithfully.

Grant him eternal rest, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine on him forever.

# October - Month of the Holy Rosary

October is traditionally the month of the Holy Rosary, in which we are reminded of the importance of uniting our prayers with Mary, the Mother of God and being a witness of Jesus Christ as revealed by the mysteries throughout His life.

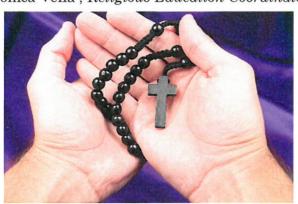
### What is the Rosary?

The Rosary is the Catholic's most distinctive form of private prayer. It is used in every nation of the world, and suitable for any time or occasion, any day, any place and any mood, from happiness to distress. It is one of the deepest and simplest of prayers, firmly rooted in the Gospel of Jesus.

The Rosary Mystery cycle is; Mondays and Saturdays are the Joyful Mysteries, Tuesdays and Fridays are the Sorrowful Mysteries, Wednesdays and Sundays are the Glorious Mysteries and Thursdays are the Mysteries of Light.

During the Month of October, please make some time to join together as a family to pray the Rosary.

Monica Vella, Religious Education Coordinator



Happy Birthday for the month of October to:



Kinder Lucas A

Year 1 Alanna D Zahra K Talia Y Pennie M Isabelle B

Year 2 Aden B
Emma M
Chloe H
Isabella Y
Jamelia B

Year 3 Isabella M Clarisse T Robert C James G Giselle K

Year 4 Thomas B Alexander L Ria S Andrew E

Year 5 Nathan H Nicholas S

Year 6 Georgia H
Nicholas R
Alexander B
James W
Michaela I
Lara B
Angelique E
Austin R



The School Office is open from 8.30am to 3.30pm.



### THIS SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER after 10am Mass

Dear Stall Holders, Volunteers, Donors and CTK Staff

The 2015 Spring Fair Committee and Parish Pastoral Council would sincerely like to thank all Members of Our Community (helpers, supporters and contributors) involved in our 2015 Spring Fair.

We appreciate your time and efforts, whether you were a stall holder, a volunteer on a stall, a donor, assisted with setup, cleanup, electrical works, or collected and counted the fete proceeds.

Your contribution was valued!

As a token of our appreciation, Staff of our School, Stall helpers and volunteers are invited to share in a Thank You BBQ after 10am Mass
THIS SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER.

We hope you are able to join us.

Kylie Wahbe & Rita Milic

Spring Fair 2015



### **Band News**

Well done to all our band members who put in extra practise time over the holiday break. Many of you have used this time to move ahead in your exercise book and band repertoire and the bands are sounding fantastic as a result.

We have a number of important and exciting events coming up this term so please make sure you are working hard through your exercises and repertoire.

Changing schools in 2016? - If your child is NOT going to high school in 2016 but you will be leaving CTK or the band please be sure to contact TSA office before the end of term 4 to notify them of your intentions. Year 6 band members will automatically be removed from the 2016 band roll.

### Band Members of the week (week 1):

Concert Band – Alexander H (it's all about that Bass!!)
Performance Band – Abbi M (10 ticks in one week – BRAVO!!)

### Important Dates:

\*Friday November 13 (TBC) - instrument demo concert

\*Friday December 11 (week 10) - Last Band Rehearsal for 2015

Steven Lavis, Music Director - Teaching Services Australia

### **TERM 4 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

The Term 4 Calendar has been emailed home. Please keep in mind every effort is made to have firm dates and publish these as early as possible. Changes beyond our control sometimes need to be made. Please be assured as much notice as possible is given if this occurs.

### **NEWS FROM THE P&F**

### Walkathon

The Christ the King 5KM Walkathon will be held on Friday 30 October. Your walkathon sheet has been issued and hopefully you are collecting sponsors. Once your sponsorship is completed please bring it back to your class teachers. All sheets MUST be in by Thursday 29 October. Your cards will be available for collection on the afternoon of the walkathon once they have been stamped. Please remember that this is an official school day and school will finish as normal at the end of day. Children are expected to participate and wear their full sport uniform on that day.

This is always such a fun and energetic event which is only possible with the help of parent volunteers on the day. We will need some volunteers for the day to help with Marshalling and water stops. It would be wonderful if some parents can free up some of their time from 10.45am onwards to help make this event successful and most importantly, safe.

A detailed information note will be coming home early next week. If you are able to assist us on Walkathon day please complete and return the slip as soon as possible.

### Ice Block Friday

For this week only, Kindergarten parents will be selling RAINBOW PADDLE POPS (which were over-ordered for the FETE) at \$1 each. If any parent doesn't want their child having a paddle pop, they need to contact the office. Next week, year 1 parents will be back to selling the KOOL STIKS as per usual.

Warm Regards
Connie Este, P&F President.

### PARISH NEWS

# ALL CHILDREN OF NORTH ROCKS CATHOLIC PARISH, WE NEED YOU! CHRISTMAS EVE 6PM FAMILY MASS



We need children – young and old, boys and girls – to join in the 2015 Christ the King Christmas Eve Family Mass @ 6pm 24<sup>th</sup> December! We need more children than ever to participate: from pre-schoolers up to Yr 6. All are welcome – no special talents are required!

The only requirement is a commitment to attend Children's Liturgy during 10am Mass in November and December, and some rehearsals 11am-12pm in December.

Please contact Erica Rheinberger by emailing <u>erica.rheinberger@syd.catholic.edu.au</u> with your child's name, grade and a contact phone number.

### HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE Skoolbag App YET???



Skoolbag is the ultimate school to parent communication tool. This School Mobile App provides schools with an easy way to tell parents and carers everything they need to know about school news, newsletters, events calendar, cancellations, school notices, school information, school timetables and much more. No more lost papers in school bags!

To install it, just search for our school name "Christ the King Primary North Rocks" in either the Apple App Store, Google Play Store or on Windows.









# How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

### For iPhone and iPad users:

- 1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
- 2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
- 3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
- 4. The app is FREE to download.
- 5. When installed click "Open"
- 6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
- 7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
- 8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.





### For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

- 1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
- 2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
- 3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
- 4. Click the "Install" button.
- 5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
- 6. Click "Open" when installed.
- 7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
- 8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.



Google play

### For Windows 81 Phone and Windows 81 or 10 device users:

- 1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
- 2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
- 3. Install the Skoolbag app
- 4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
- 5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
- 6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
- 7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 81 and 10 devices.





### **MARK IN YOUR DIARY**

Book Fair

Kindy 2016 Orientation

CTK Walkathon

• Choir of Angels performance

• Yr 5 Camp

• Yr 6 Graduation

• Yr 6 Motiv8 Fun day

• Christmas Concert

• Changeover / Meet the Teacher day

• Swimming Carnival

• End of Year Mass / Awards / Farewell

Monday 26th—Thursday 29th October

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Friday 30th October Monday 30th November

Wednesday 2nd December — Friday 4th December

Wednesday 9th December Thursday 10th December Friday 11th December Monday 14th December

Tuesday 15th December

Wednesday 16th December

# **Library News**

# CTK Book Fair 2015 hosted by The Children's Bookshop Beecroft Save the date 28th October

The Children's Bookshop, established in 1971, is the oldest specialist children's bookshop in NSW Australia. Their strength has always been the expert advice provided by the dedicated and enthusiastic staff who enjoy finding the right book for the young reader and adults alike. This year the Children's Bookshop in Beecroft is hosting our CTK Book Fair.

Books will be available for viewing by classes on Monday and Tuesday, 26th - 27th October and then on Wednesday 28th October, a staff member from the book shop will be here for sales. Students are asked to bring in their money on Wednesday to purchase their book. Parents are invited to view the books before and after school on Monday and Tuesday and to purchase on Wednesday. Parents this is a perfect start to your Christmas shopping.

### CTK Chess Championships 2015

The Christ the King Chess Championships will be held on Friday 6th November from 3.00pm to 6.00pm in the Holy Faith Library. The cost for this competition is \$17-50.

The tournament will be run as a Swiss, with approximately 6-7 games. This means that all children play in all the rounds and no one is knocked out. There will be trophies awarded for the highest 3 scorers, medals presented as age prizes, as well as a perpetual trophy for the school with the name of each year's winner engraved on it. Each child playing will also receive a participation certificate. There may also be other encouragement awards, depending on the number of entries.

STUDENTS MUST BE ABLE TO PLAY CHESS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMPETITION. Entries close on Friday 30th October.

### SCHOOLS CHESS CHALLENGE 2015 (Formerly known as Macquarie University Chess Challenge)

Date: Sunday, 8th November 2015

Venue: Knox Grammar Senior School,7 Woodville Ave, Wahroonga, KG1 Building

Cost: \$45 per team

Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm (Registration starts at 8:45am)

Format: This tournament is a team event and not an individual event. Teams consist of three players from the same school. The tournament will be a 7-round Swiss. Games will be played under the official rules of chess - touch move and touch take apply. Participants will use a chess clock with a time limit of 15 minutes per player for the whole game. Instruction on the use of chess clocks will be given on the day.

Prizes: The top 5 schools in each division will earn trophies for their schools, as well as individual medals for each of the players in the teams.

Eligibility: Teams consist of three players. There will be two divisions: Primary and Secondary Schools Division

IF ANY STUDENTS ARE INTERESTED IN PLAYING IN THIS COMPETITION PLEASE SEE MRS COOK. PLEASE NOTE THAT PARENTS WILL HAVE TO TAKE AND SUPERVISE THE STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

Sarah Cook, Teacher / Librarian

### **UNIFORM SHOP 2015**

### TUESDAYS 8.30AM—11.00AM 1.30PM—3.30PM

The Uniform Shop is open on TUESDAYS ONLY each week with morning and afternoon opening hours for your convenience.

Parents are most welcome to place an order through the office. FULL PAYMENT must accompany all orders. The Uniform Shop can accept cash or cheque (made payable to Christ the King). Eftpos facilities are able to be accessed through the School office for Uniform orders.

The Uniform Shop Price List is now available on the Christ the King School web site.

Go to ctknorthrocks.catholic.edu.au and click on the 'Parents' tab then click on Handbook, School Office and then Uniform Shop / Clothing Pool. On this page you will find the price list to download.

### CHILD PROTECTION—CEO PARRAMATTA MODULE & THE NEW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK



The Working with Children Check is a three step process which includes Completion of the CEO Online Child Protection Module and Completion of the 'new working with children check' through the NSW Commission for Children website. Applicants will then need to present the completed documentation at their local Service NSW Office (formally RMS/RTA) for screening which completes the check.

PLEASE NOTE: Partial Completion of the above steps will not be accepted. Completion of only the CEO Module will not allow you to assist in the classroom

1. It is a Diocesan requirement that any parent volunteering at Christ the King School complete the Child Protection training module.

This training is to be completed online at:

### http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au

CTK will receive email notification when you complete the CEO module.

2. When module has been completed go to: www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au and follow the links to complete the 'new working with children check'. A Working With Children Check is a prerequisite for anyone in child-related work. It involves a national criminal history check and review of findings of workplace misconduct.

The Working With Children Check is FREE. Only paid workers in child-related work are required to pay the \$80 fee for a five year clearance. This equates to \$16 per year, the lowest in Australia (together with Victoria).

The Working With Children Check remains free for:

- Volunteers and students
- Authorised carers

- Potential adoptive parents
- Adults who reside in the home of:
- an authorised carer
- a family day care service provider
- a home-based education and care service provider.
- 3. Once the NSW Office of the Children's Guardian check has been completed you will receive an email which will state that you have clearance to work with children. You will need to present a copy of this email to the school office to complete your Working with Children Check. Only then will you be cleared to work with the children in the school.



# 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials

Any Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2016 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2015 and Term One in 2016.

It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in Years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend.

Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

\*AFL (boys), Basketball (B&G), Cricket (B&G), Diving (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Football (B&G), Golf (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Netball (girls), Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union (boys), Softball (B&G), Tennis (B&G), & Touch(B&G).

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website <a href="www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au">www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au</a>. This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** for the 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. You may complete this form to attend a selection trial or if you have been selected in a representative squad or team. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

Please note that your online registration is an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY and MUST be approved by your child's school. In order for your child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of your school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. Please complete all fields and especially "Representative Experience".

Your child's school will notify you one week prior to the trial date if your child is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.

Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.

Currently only the Summer Sports of BASKETBALL, CRICKET, SOFTBALL & TENNIS are open and registrations close on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October as these trials will be held in November 2015.

All other sport registrations will open on 2nd November for 2016 trials.

Please contact your school sports coordinator for any further information.

Margaret Thornton
Teaching Educator – Primary Sport
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta



# 2016 Team Sport Trials

All correspondence to:

#### **PDCPSSC**

Aengus Kavanagh Education & Equity Centre PO Box 215, Rooty Hill 2766 Tel (02) 9677 4314 Mobile 0408 278 918

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# Parramatta Diocese 2016 Information For Parents of current Year 4 and Year 5 students - Registration window open only for Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis

Dear Parents.

Parramatta Diocesan Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2016 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2015 and Term One in 2016. It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend. To facilitate this, Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

Sport	Age Group	Trial Date	Registration closing date
AFL	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Basketball	Open boys & girls	17 <sup>th</sup> November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015
Cricket	Open boys & girls	6th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015
Diving	10/11yrs girls & boys & 12/13yrs girls & boys	Term One 2016	Registration via CSSS in 2016
Football (Soccer)	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Golf	Open boys & girls	Term Three 2016	Registration via CSSS in 2016
Hockey	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Netball	Open girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Rugby League	Open boys & 11yrs boys - NB. No State team selected for 11 yrs	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Rugby Union	Open boys	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016
Softball	Open boys & girls	18th November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015
Tennis	Open boys & girls	16 <sup>th</sup> November 2015	Friday 30th October 2015
Touch	Open boys & girls	Term One 2016	Friday 5th February 2016

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au ~ Click on "REP SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the SPORT you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form". Each sport has a different registration criteria.

This online form is an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST for the 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. You may complete this form to attend a selection trial or if you have been selected in a representative squad or team. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport and when completed, click SUBMIT.

Please note that your online registration is an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY and MUST be approved by your child's school. In order for your child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of your school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. Please complete all fields and especially "Representative Experience".

Your child's school will notify you one week prior to the trial date if your child is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.

Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.

\$5.00 trialling fee is payable on the day for after school trials & \$8.00 trialling fee is payable on the day for half day and full day trials. - This is to be paid upon registration at the trials once your child has been approved to attend the Parramatta Diocesan Trials.

Please note that the full day trials will be for boys cricket, boys soccer, boys rugby league & boys rugby union. Due to the popularity of boys cricket, boys soccer and girls netball a maximum of 2 children only are eligible to trial from each school. Selection of the 2 boys and girls will be made jointly by the school sport coordinator and principal.

Half day trial for tennis and netball... all other trials will be held after school beginning at 4pm.

# MACKILLOP TRIAL

It should be noted that the main purpose of the Mackillop trial is to select a team to compete at the NSW PSSA Championships. The Inter-Diocesan MacKillop Trial is not a competition although a round robin format is often used to facilitate the selection procedure.

# NSW PSSA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Children who are successful at being selected in the Mackillop team will compete at the N.S.W. P.S.S.A. Championships. These championships involve three or four days of competition at various locations in NSW. Children selected in these teams may also be required to attend training sessions. At the NSW PSSA Championships a State team will be selected to participate at the School Sport Australia Inter State Exchange for some sports.

# SCHOOL SPORT AUSTRALIA

To be considered for selction in the NSWPSSA state team for participation at all School Sport Australia 12 Years & Under championships: Students mus be turning between the ages of 10 and 12 in the year of competition i.e. Students turning the ages of 8, 9 and 13 in the year of competition are not eligible for NSWPSSA State selection.

Please note the following information:

- Parents are responsible for all transport and supervision arrangements and must remain to supervise their child at the trial at all times.
- Children need to generally be of representative standard.
- Attendance at training days, where applicable is compulsory.
- The selector's decisions are final.
- Parents will need to make their own travel arrangements for children representing Parramatta at Inter-Diocesan MacKillop trials. This
  may mean travel to Sydney, Wollongong, Canberra, Wagga or Forbes.
- Please be aware that the teacher conducting the trial and accompanying the team to the venue is a "Team Manager" ~ not a coach.

If you would like your child to participate in one of the Parramatta Diocesan trials please complete the Team Online Registration Form that can be accessed via the website <a href="www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au">www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au</a> ~ Click on "REP SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the SPORT you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form".

NOMINATIONS close Friday 30th October 2015 for the sports of Basketball, Cricket, Softball & Tennis and entries close Friday 5th February 2016 for all other sports.

Kind Regards,

### Margaret Thornton

Teaching Educator Primary Sport ~ CEO Parramatta

WEBSITE: www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au



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# **CTK COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **CATHERINE McAULEY WESTMEAD School Open Morning**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2015 9.15-11am Our Open Morning is a great opportunity to tour around our school grounds, view our fantastic facilities and meet our students and teachers. You will have the opportunity to go into classrooms and see them in action. Both children and adults are most welcome. Please contact School Reception on 9849 9100 if you would like to attend. Our school tours will leave at 9.15am and car parking will be available in the visitor's car parking area via Gate 3 from 9am onwards. Ask for details when making your booking. Enrolments for Year 7 2017 Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2017. Each year the demand for places at Catherine McAuley exceeds what is available. Join us on either of our two upcoming school tours especially for Year 7 2017 applicants but open to any year group.

CATHOLIC CARE SOCIAL SERVICES: POST SEPARATION RECOVERY PROGRAM CCSS Solo Parent Services is offering its seven week Post –Separation Recovery Program which has proven to be an excellent Program that guides and supports those whose marriage or long-term partnership has ended. Commencing: Wednesday 21st October from 7.30pm -9.45pm. Venue: DAC, 1-5 Marion St Blacktown. For further information and registration, contact Eileen or Rita on 9933 0205 or soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

GRASSHOPPER SOCCER Info pamphlet with registration details

Have fun; develop social/physical skills and improve self confidence Term 4 program begins 17/18 October for boys and girls 2-12 years.

Soccer FUN for children 2-12 yrs Outdoor Programs / School & Holiday Clinics

Childcare program Birthday parties.

Call to enquire about venues and times. Registration / Enquiries to Carlos # 0437 160 396

### Wesley Family Centre, The Hills

Family Support Work for families with children 0-17years, Community Development—Rouse Hill families connect, Multicultural Women's Support group, Financial Counselling Services, Children's Expressive Therapies the Hills, Counselling, Positive parenting Program, Stretching your wings, The Ponds Mum's group, Baby Massage, Music Playschool, and Play in the secret garden. For more information please contact the office for a pamphlet.

OLMC Parramatta Is your child interested in music or dance? The new Mercy Music & Performance Academy at OLMC Parramatta offers a range of tuition and workshop options for young people from Years 3 to Year 12. A survey is currently being conducted to understand the needs and interests of families in our local area – please help us create a program that best fosters musical and dance talent by completing the following survey <a href="https://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au/theacademysurvey">www.olmc.nsw.edu.au/theacademysurvey</a>. Your assistance if greatly appreciated. The survey will be open until October 30, 2015

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**Let your love blossom this spring with a weekend together. A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** is a *Marriage Enrichment* experience – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Give the greatest gift, that of your time alone - invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! **20-22 November**<u>Venue for Weekends</u>: Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW.

<u>To apply contact</u>: Ardell & Bill Sharpe Tel. 02 4283 3435 or <u>wsharpe@bigpond.net.au</u> <u>www.www.www.enceg.au</u>

<u>www.facebook.com/WWMEasternUnit</u>

### CATHOLIC EDUCATION DIOCESE PARRAMATTA Facebook Q & A chat with Parents

CEDP Parramatta invite you to join the Facebook Q and A chats with parents which will feature a panel of CEDP staff and leaders in their area of innovation and learning.

The topic will be: 'How do I talk to my teacher about my child's progress?' and the date is 15th October 7pm—7.45pm. The experts will be some of our Team Leaders from System Learning—Tim Hardy, Mary Creenaune and Lisa-Maree Browning. Facebook: www.facebook.com/PRCParra

AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR OPEN DAY SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2015 All school-aged girls are invited to come along to the AGC Open Day to find out more. The Open Day gives girls the opportunity to join in a free class and attend an information session. Phone 9922 6733 for more information or visit www.ausgirlschoir.com.au Information flyer available from the school office.

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Be at the heart of your child's learning.





# Saturday 17 October 2015, 2pm to 5pm

St Andrew the Apostle Parish Centre. 40 Breakfast Road, Marayong RSVP Thursday 15 October 2015 to

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- deal with intense emotions
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The Program
Each Session led by trained Facilitators follows a set agenda including Cach Session led by trained Fac Video Input, Personal Reflection, Journaling, Large & Small Group Sharing,

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Solo Parent Services Ph. 02 9933 0205 soloparentservices@ccss.org.au



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